

Election Night Reporting Guide

SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTION COMMISSION



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Overview of South Carolina Election Night Reporting

South Carolina State Election Commission uses an online tool called Election Night Reporting (ENR) to display results from elections on a Web site. The Web interface provides visitors with a graphical view of in-depth state and county results. Users are presented with a breakdown of votes received for a candidate by contest. Maps illustrate the counties or precincts reporting, voter turnout, and results by county or precinct. A reporting area allows interactive report creation and the ability to download detailed reports.

How do I access Election Night Reporting?

Election Night Reporting can be accessed at the South Carolina State Election Commission Web site <http://www.scvotes.org>. On the page that appears click **2008 Primary Results**.

When and how often will the results be updated?

Once the precinct polling locations have closed, the results are reported to the county. The state aggregates results, and then begins reporting results to the public via the ENR tool. Updates occur throughout the night until all counties have reported final results.

How do I navigate Election Night Reporting?

The following pages will step you through how to navigate the ENR tool. We will review the following areas:

- Home Page
- Synopsis Area
- Summary Tab
- Counties Reporting Tab
- Voter Turnout Tab
- Reports Tab
- Viewing County Results

Home page

When you initially access ENR, you will see a page that resembles the following. This is the ENR home page. From the ENR home page, you can access state and county results. This guide shows you how to navigate the state results, but navigating the county results is similar. The notable difference is that state results are reported by county and the county results are reported by precinct.

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Select County

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CONTEST DETAIL MAP

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	Percent	Votes
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State House of Representatives District 2 - REP (Vote For 1)

CONTEST DETAIL MAP

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Synopsis area

The synopsis area is a constant view toward the top of the page that displays regardless of the tab you click. Within the synopsis area, you can find important information, such as:

- A time stamp that shows when the Web site was last updated with results
- Number of registered voters for the state (specific to the current election)
- Number of ballots cast for the state (specific to the current election)
- Voter turnout percentages—based on the ratio of registered voters to ballots cast
- Number of counties partially reported
- Number of counties completely reported

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Summary tab

The Summary tab displays the number of votes a candidate has received by contest.

The screenshot shows the South Carolina State Election Commission website. The header includes the slogan "EVERY VOTE MATTERS. EVERY VOTE COUNTS." and the text "South Carolina State Election Commission". Below the header, there is a "State Wide" tab and a "Select County" dropdown. The main content area displays election statistics for the "2008 Republican and Democratic Primary". A yellow box highlights the "Summary" tab, which is selected. The page shows "UNOFFICIAL RESULTS" and a search bar for contests. The results are organized by contest, with the first being "U.S. Senate - REP (Vote For 1)".

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Filtering on the Summary tab

Clicking **Search Contests** will allow you to filter the display by contest.

This screenshot is similar to the previous one, but with a yellow box highlighting the "SEARCH CONTESTS (81 of 81)" button. The rest of the page content, including the election statistics and the contest results for the U.S. Senate and State House of Representatives, remains the same.

State Wide | Select County

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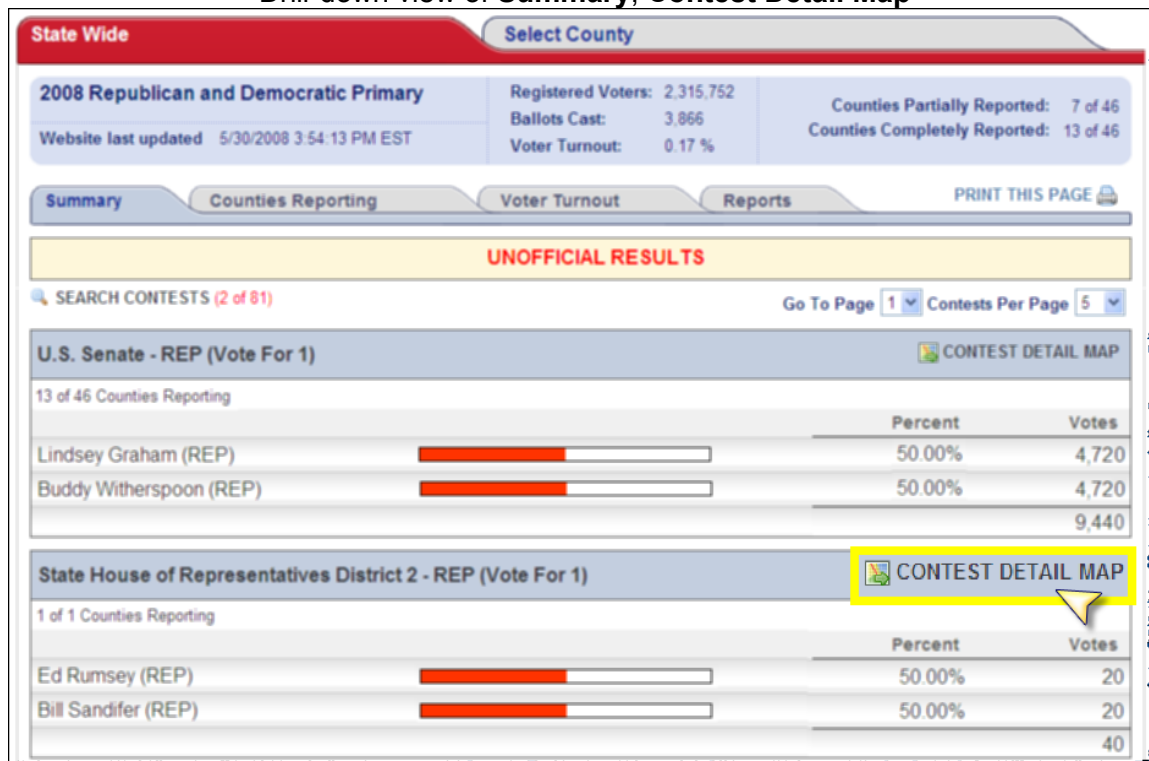
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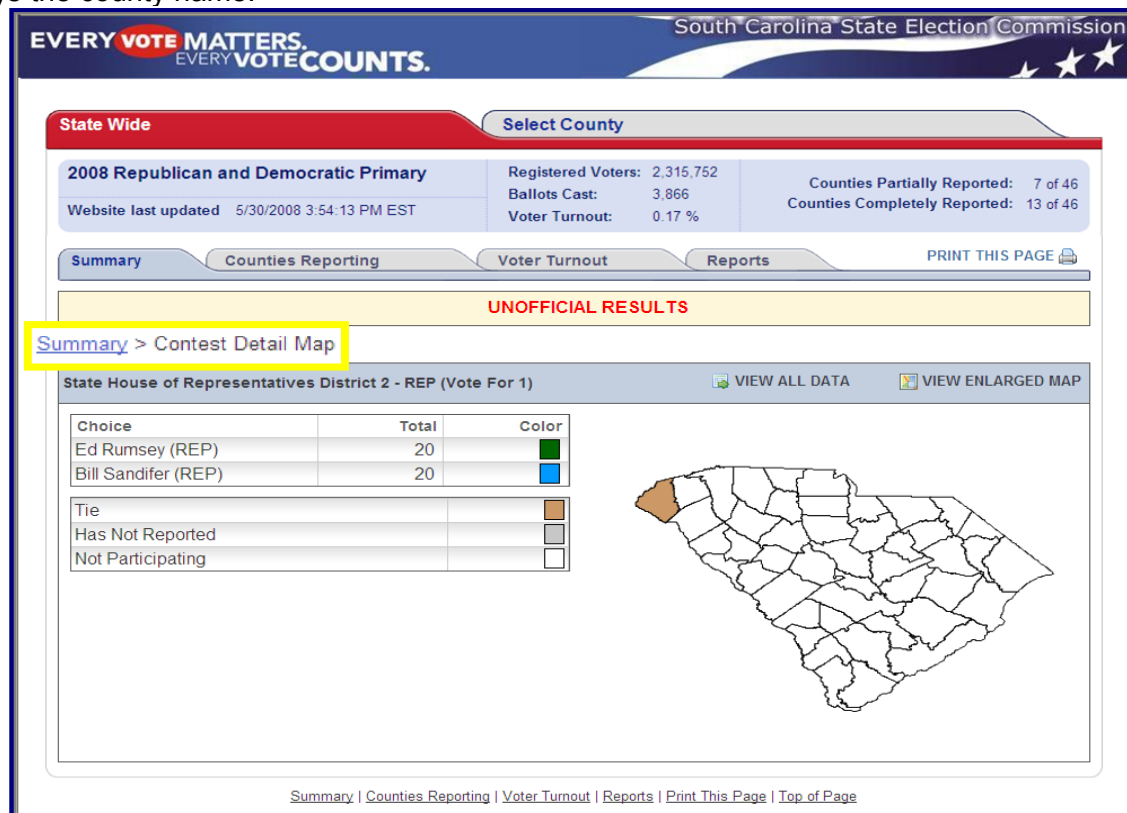
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Drill-down view of **Summary**, **Contest Detail Map**



The Contest Detail Map drill-down option graphically displays which candidate is leading in each county, as shown in the following graphic. Pointing to a county on the state map with your mouse displays the county name.



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Drill-down view of **Summary**, **Contest Detail Map**, **View All Data**

The screenshot shows the 'State Wide' section of the reporting interface. It includes a 'Select County' dropdown and a summary of the 2008 Republican and Democratic Primary. The 'Summary' tab is selected, and the 'UNOFFICIAL RESULTS' banner is visible. The 'Contest Detail Map' for State House of Representatives District 2 - REP (Vote For 1) is shown. A yellow box highlights the 'VIEW ALL DATA' link, which is accompanied by a map icon. A yellow arrow points to the 'VIEW ALL DATA' link. The map shows the state of Georgia with the district highlighted in orange. The 'VIEW ENLARGED MAP' link is also visible.

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State House of Representatives District 2 - REP (Vote For 1) [VIEW ALL DATA](#) [VIEW ENLARGED MAP](#)

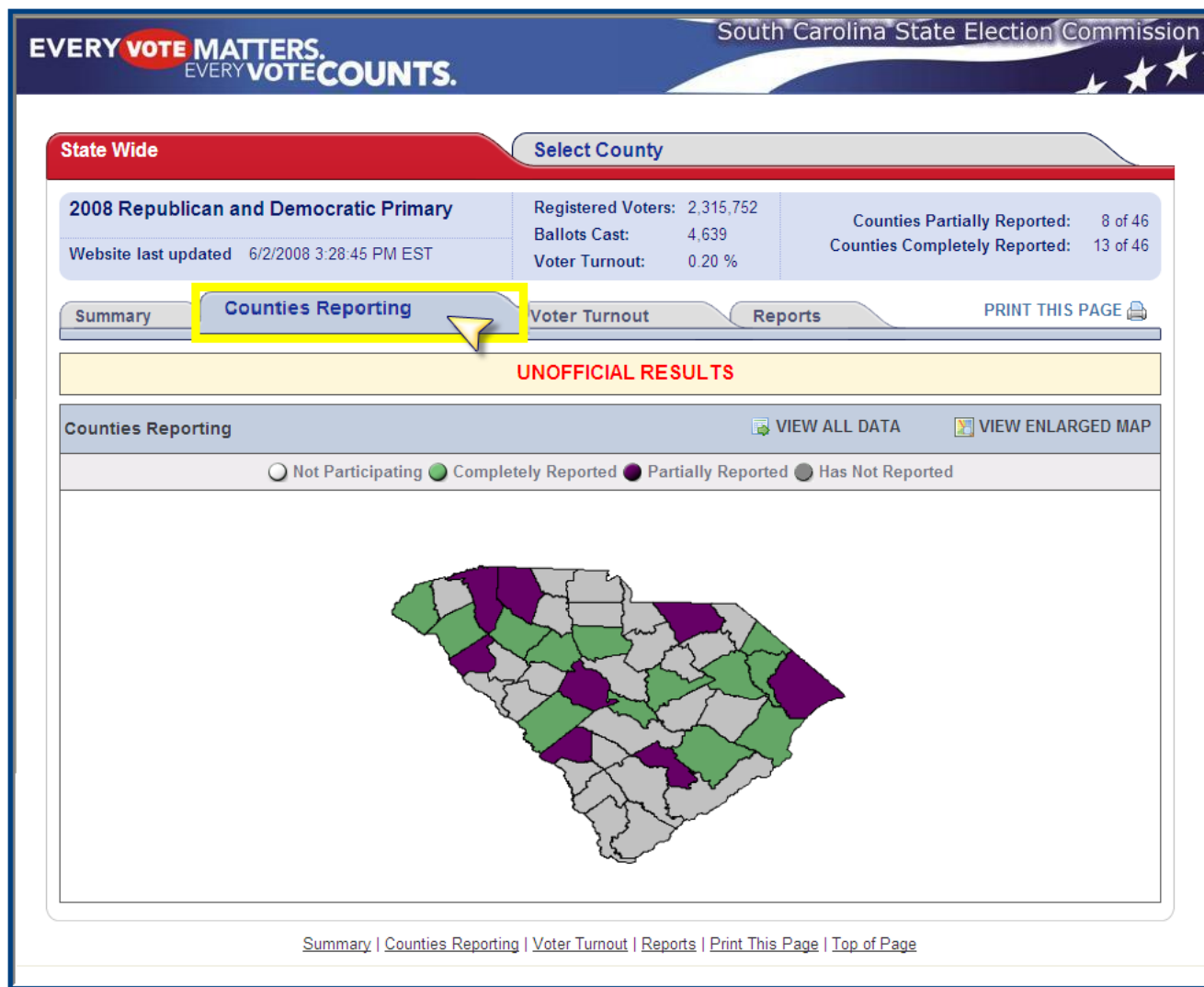
Choice	Total	Color
Ed Rumsey (REP)	20	Green
Bill Sandifer (REP)	20	Blue
Tie		Brown
Has Not Reported		Grey
Not Participating		White

The Contest Detail Map, View All Data drill-down option displays the candidate vote count break down by county, as shown in the following graphic.

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2008 Republican and Democratic Primary			Website last updated 5/30/2008 3:42:56 PM EST	
State House of Representatives District 2 - REP (Vote For 1)			PRINT THIS PAGE	CLOSE THIS WINDOW
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County	Ed Rumsey	Bill Sandifer	Total	
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Total:	20	20	40	

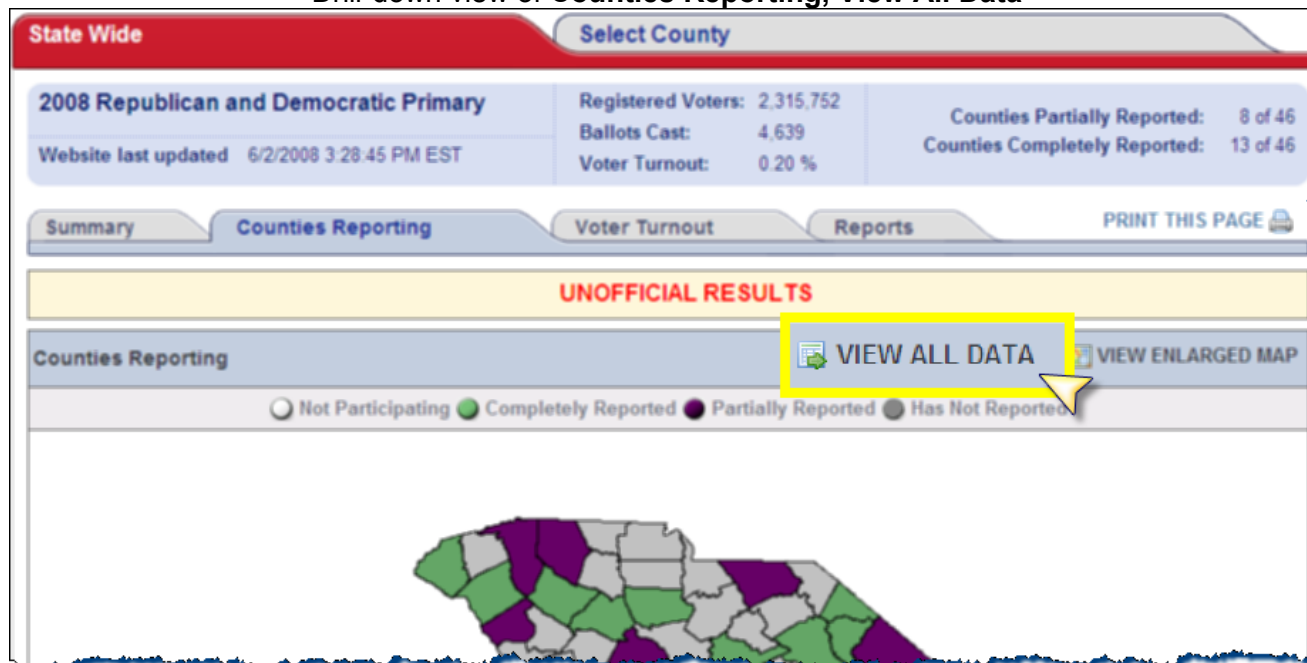
Counties Reporting tab

The Counties Reporting tab displays a state map of the status for the counties reporting. When a county begins to report Election Day votes, the map will be shaded purple, indicating that the county has begun to report results. When all Election Day votes have been reported for a county, the map will be shaded green to indicate the county is completely reporting. Pointing to a county on the state map with your mouse displays the county name.



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Drill-down view of Counties Reporting, View All Data

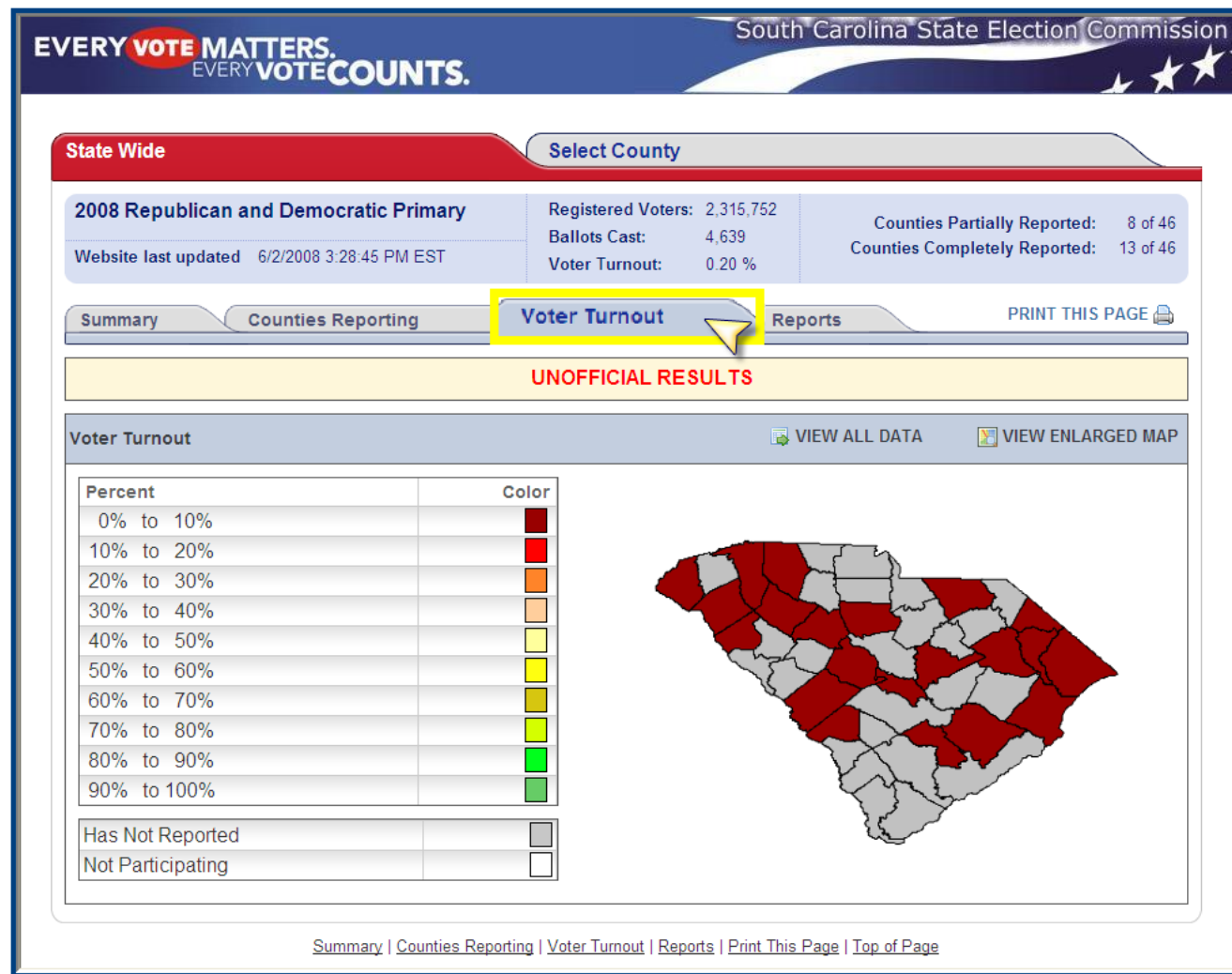


The Counties Reporting, View All Data drill-down option displays a tabular view of the status for counties reporting, as shown in the following graphic.

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2008 Republican and Democratic Primary	Website last updated 6/2/2008 3:28:45 PM EST
Counties Reporting	PRINT THIS PAGE CLOSE THIS WINDOW
Not Participating Completely Reported Partially Reported Has Not Reported	
County	Status
Abbeville	Partially Reported
Aiken	Completely Reported
Allendale	Has Not Reported
Anderson	Completely Reported
Bamberg	Has Not Reported
Barnwell	Partially Reported
Beaufort	Has Not Reported
Berkeley	Completely Reported
Calhoun	Completely Reported
Charleston	Has Not Reported
Cherokee	Has Not Reported
Chester	Has Not Reported
Chesterfield	Partially Reported
Clarendon	Has Not Reported
Colleton	Has Not Reported

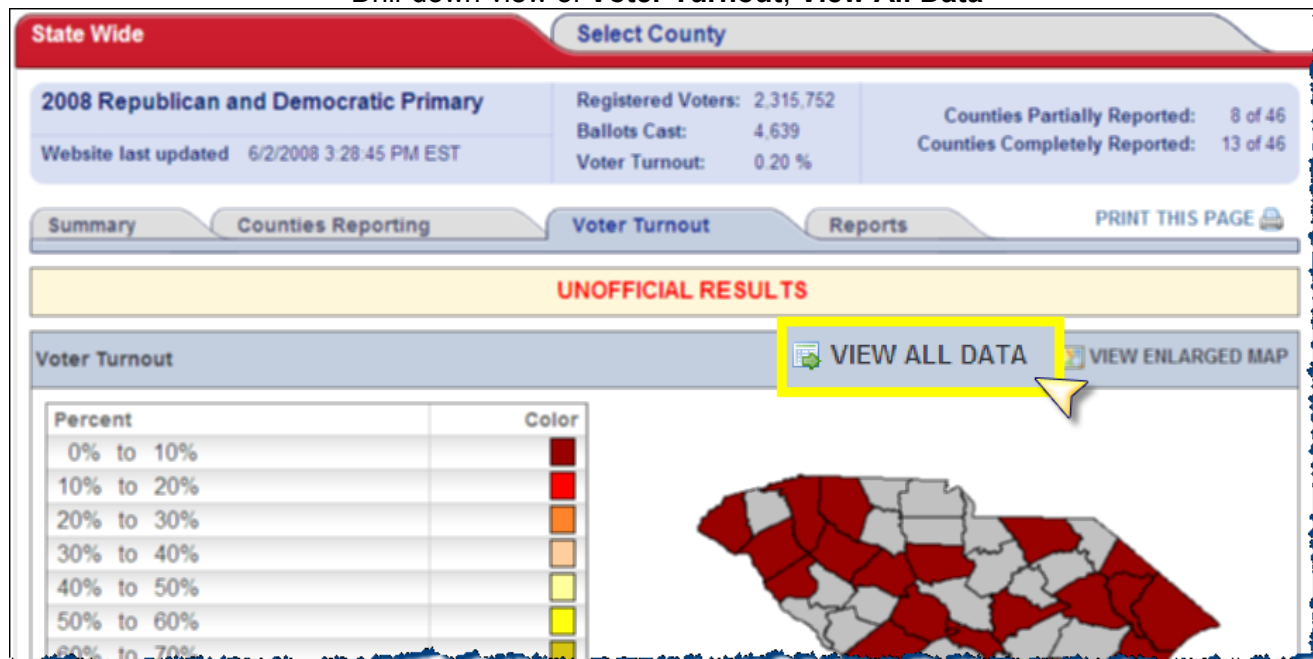
Voter Turnout tab

The Voter Turnout tab shows a graphical display of how many registered voters cast a ballot per county. The legend on the left side of the page explains what each color represents. This page provides a quick look at which counties had the highest election participation. Pointing to a county on the state map with your mouse displays the county name.



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Drill-down view of **Voter Turnout**, **View All Data**



The Voter Turnout, View All Data drill-down option displays a tabular view of voter turnout by County, as shown in the following graphic.

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Voter Turnout		PRINT THIS PAGE CLOSE THIS WINDOW	
County	Ballots Cast	Registered Voters	Voter Turnout
Abbeville	17	13,016	0.13 %
Aiken	189	83,732	0.23 %
Allendale	0	0	0.00 %
Anderson	842	89,798	0.94 %
Bamberg	0	0	0.00 %
Barnwell	16	11,804	0.14 %
Beaufort	0	0	0.00 %
Berkeley	850	77,849	1.09 %
Calhoun	48	9,117	0.53 %
Charleston	59	182,976	0.03 %
Cherokee	0	0	0.00 %
Chester	0	0	0.00 %
Chesterfield	59	19,915	0.30 %
Clarendon	0	0	0.00 %
Colleton	0	0	0.00 %

Reports tab

On the Reports tab, the following options for viewing and creating reports are available.

- **Download Reports.** View downloadable reports that capture data for the latest set of results.
- **Custom Filter by Vote Type and County.** Use a custom filter to create a report based on county and vote type.

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Type	Description	Download	Size
Summary CSV	Comma separated values showing total votes received.	summary.zip	4.1 kB
Detail XLS	County level details for election results.	detailxls.zip	10.8 kB
Detail TXT	County level details for election results.	detailtxt.zip	6.7 kB

▼ Custom Filter by Vote Type and County

Vote Type: County:

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County Results

As noted, viewing the results of a specific county is very similar to viewing the state results. To view county results, click the **Select County** tab. An interactive state map of South Carolina is displayed.

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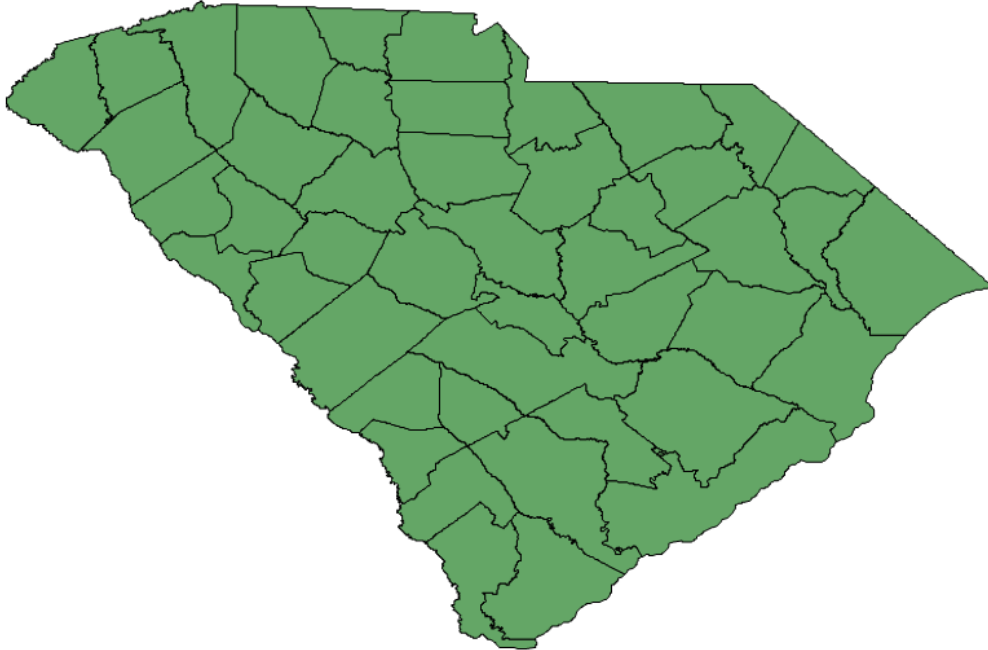
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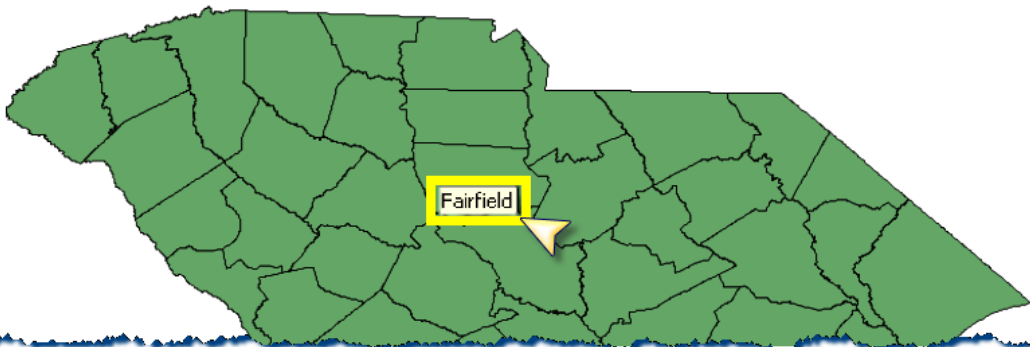
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A map of South Carolina showing its 46 counties. The county of Fairfield is highlighted with a yellow border and a yellow label with the name 'Fairfield'. A mouse cursor is pointing at the label.

Select the county you want to view by clicking the county on the map or selecting it from the list below the map. The county results page will open in a new browser window.

The synopsis area applicable to the county is displayed. Data in this view is based on precincts.

Additional Information

Please visit www.scvotes.org or contact the SEC Public Information Officer at 803-734-9060 for additional information on Election Night Reporting.